



James McGraw Davisson

July 28, 1930 - October 23, 2012

James McGraw Davisson, age 82, of Kalamazoo, Michigan and formerly of Rensselaer passed away October 23, 2012 in Kalamazoo. James was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on July 28, 1930, the son of Hugh and Hester (McGraw) Davisson.

Jim graduated from Rensselaer High School, the class of 1948. He attended Purdue University and the University of Cincinnati. He was an engineer with General Electric for 37 years. On April 20, 1963 in Rensselaer, he married Marcia Joann (nee Weltzin) Thompson who preceded him in death on September 29, 2007. Jim was a veteran of the Korean War where he served as a Corporal in the US Marine Corp. He was a former member of the Elks, and a longtime member of the YMCA. He enjoyed running and became a member of the 10,000 mile club. When he couldn't run anymore, he took up cycling. He also enjoyed archery and was a member of the Iroquois Valley Archery and Conservation Club. He was also an accomplished bowler.

Surviving are his two daughters, Terri (Rick) Shelton of Delton, Michigan and Laura (Randy) Larson of The Colony, Texas; 2 grandchildren, Kristin and Bryan Larson; 2 step-grandchildren, Russell and Amber Shelton; and five great-grandchildren, Belle, Ty, Skiy, Logan and Gage; one sister Elizabeth Walter of Rensselaer; numerous nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and two brothers.

Friends may visit with the family on Saturday, November 3, 2012 from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M.

at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer. A memorial service for James will be held Saturday at 11:00 A.M. at the Jackson Funeral Chapel with Dr. James Blanchard officiating. Military rites and the burial of cremains will follow at Memory Gardens of Rensselaer. Friends may make contributions to the Alzheimer's Association.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens of Rensselaer

Memory Gardens
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5125
info@jacksonfuneral.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
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Service

NOV 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of James McGraw Davisson



Jackson Funeral Chapels - October 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Sorry to hear about your dad Terri. I so enjoyed spending time with him and his dog at your place and I'll never forget. Love to you, Rick, your sister and the whole family.
Michelle Martin

Michelle Martin - October 27, 2012 at 10:16 AM

NV

Sorry to hear about your dad. We met him in Texas many years ago. He rented his trailer to one of our friends and he came up to the UP to visit us. We also knew your mother. We had our trailer just down the road from your dad. He got along real well with my husband. (He passed away a couple of years ago in Texas.) He was a nice man and a good neighbor to us.
Sorry for your loss. Nancy Villeneuve

Nancy Villeneuve - November 10, 2012 at 06:33 PM

RS

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



richard shelton - October 25, 2012 at 07:39 AM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



richard shelton - October 25, 2012 at 07:25 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



richard shelton - October 25, 2012 at 07:15 AM

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Richard Shelton - October 25, 2012 at 07:06 AM

KT

“ *Laura, Terri and families.. I cannot express how sorry I am. I love you all so much.*

Karyn Taylor - October 24, 2012 at 01:20 PM